## STATE OF CALIFORNIA BUSINESS, TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING AGENCY DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS OVERSIGHT

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TO: Blackrock Equity Advisors, Inc.
John Kevin Reech
Bob Hamilton
301 Yamato Road
Boca Raton, Florida 33431

## **DESIST AND REFRAIN ORDER**

(For violations of Corporations Code section 25110)

The Commissioner of Business Oversight (Commissioner) finds that:

- 1. Blackrock Equity Advisors, Inc. (Blackrock) was incorporated in the State of Florida on or about December 20, 2012. Blackrock's principal business was located at 301 Yamato Road, Boca Raton, Florida 33431.
- 2. John Kevin Reech (Reech) served as President and agent for service of process for Blackrock since its inception.
- 3. At all relevant times, Bob Hamilton (Hamilton) held himself out as an agent working for Blackrock and Reech.
- 4. Starting in or about 2013, Hamilton solicited investments in Blackrock by cold calling California residents. Hamilton represented to prospective investors that Blackrock Equity Fund was a fund owned by Blackrock that invested in commercial properties leased to government agencies with long term leases. Hamilton represented that investment in Blackrock Equity Fund would yield a return of 12 to 13 percent and was stable since the leases were long term leases to government agencies. Hamilton would direct investors to a website that contained pictures of the commercial properties purportedly owned by Blackrock Equity Fund which he claimed were leased out to government agencies.
- 5. Between July 2013 and April 2015, Hamilton directed a California investor that he had solicited by cold-calling to invest at least \$116,000.00 in shares of Blackrock Equity Fund.
- 6. The shares in Blackrock Equity Fund were offered or sold in this state in an issuer transaction.

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3 Based on the foregoing, the Commissioner finds that the securities offered and sold 4 by Blackrock Equity Advisors, Inc., John Kevin Reech and Bob Hamilton, including but not limited 5 shares in Blackrock Equity Fund, are securities subject to qualification under the Corporate Securities 6 Law of 1968 (Corp. Code, § 25000 et seq.). These securities have been offered or sold without being 7 qualified or exempt, in violation of Corporations Code section 25110. 8 Pursuant to Corporations Code section 25532, Blackrock Equity Advisors, Inc., John Kevin 9 Reech and Bob Hamilton are hereby ordered to desist and refrain from the further offer or sale of 10 securities in the State of California, unless and until qualification has been made under the Corporate 11 Securities Law of 1968 or unless exempt. 12 This Order is necessary, in the public interest, for the protection of investors and consistent 13 with the purposes, policies and provisions of the Corporate Securities Law of 1968. 14 Dated: April 17, 2018 JAN LYNN OWEN 15 Sacramento, California Commissioner of Business Oversight 16 17  $By_{\underline{}}$ 18 Mary Ann Smith **Deputy Commissioner** 19 **Enforcement Division** 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

The Commissioner has not issued a permit or other form of qualification authorizing

Blackrock, Reech or Hamilton to offer and sell these securities in this state.